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(U.S. National Phase of PCT/FR2004/002216)
For : CROSS-COUNTRY SKI SYSTEM PROVIDED WITH A DIRECT
BEARING LATERAL SURFACE

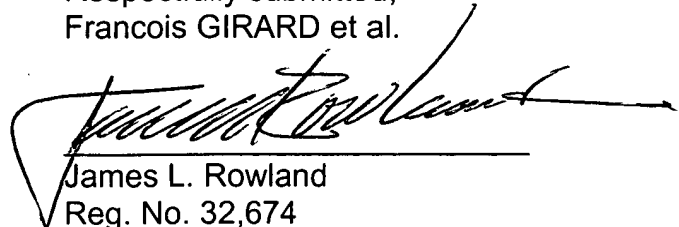
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Sir:

Applicants hereby claim the right of priority granted pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 119 and 365, based upon French Application No. 03.10443, filed September 3, 2003. The International Bureau already should have sent a certified copy of the French application to the United States designated office. If the certified copy has not arrived, please contact the undersigned.

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